

HR. 2734 Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act Reauthorization

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Bill Summary

The Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act (GLSMA) was signed into law in 2004 by President Bush and authorizes grant money to states, Indian tribes, colleges and universities to develop suicide prevention and intervention programs. The GLSMA Reauthorization would renew the commitment to important youth and college suicide prevention programs by continuing to support the following efforts:

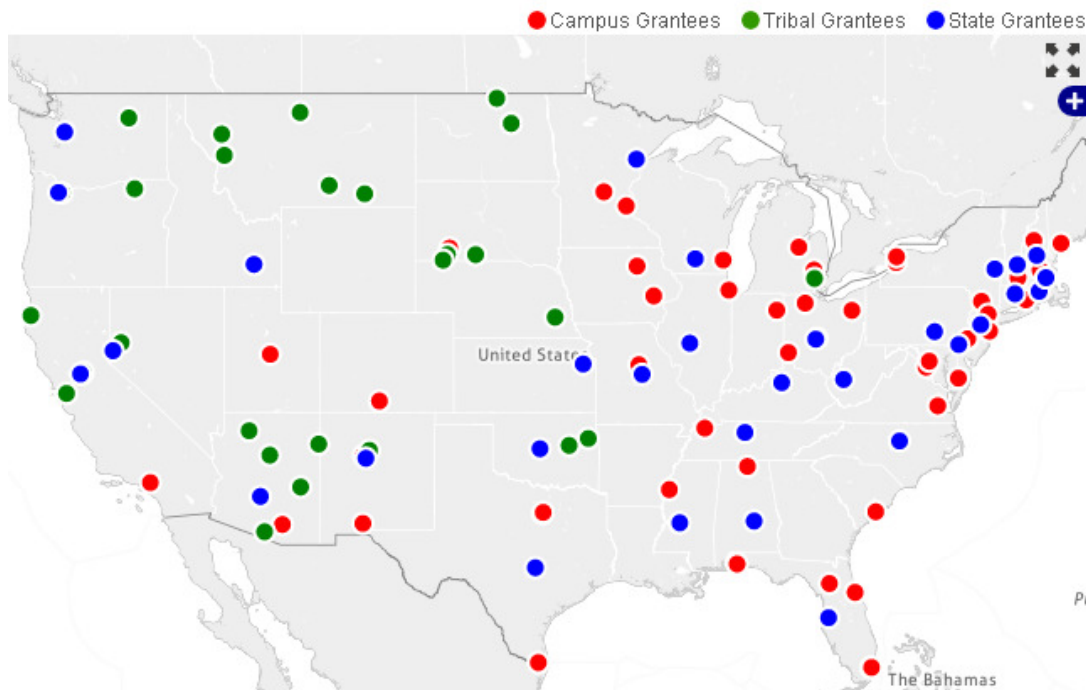
Suicide Prevention Technical Assistance Center – This competitive grant support the dissemination of appropriate information, training, and technical assistance to GLS grant recipients concerning cost-effective intervention programs, suicide risk factors, and outcomes and best practices in suicide prevention.

Currently, the Suicide Prevention Resource Center (SPRC.org) is the recipient of this grant.

Youth Suicide Intervention and Prevention Strategy Grants to States and Tribes – These competitive grants are awarded to states and tribes/tribal organizations to develop and implement early intervention and prevention strategies for youth. The grants also provide the tools needed to evaluate intervention and prevention practices and strategies.

Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services and Outreach on Campus – These competitive grants enable colleges and universities to prevent youth suicide through educational and outreach activities on suicide prevention, the implementation of emerging best-practices, the provision of mental health services (including prevention and voluntary screening), and the employment and training of mental health personnel.

GLS Grant Recipients (Active Only)



Visit sprc.org for more information on GLS grant recipients and activities and to check out the work of the Suicide Prevention Resource Center.

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